

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the abstract on page 68 with the following amended abstract:

~~A wireless LAN conference system can be constructed without increasing the cost of equipment of a conference hall and without imposing a burden upon participants to execute a network setting. There are provided network conference terminal devices 11 (2) to 11 (n) in which network interface cards 1 are attached to information terminal devices. The network interface card 1 includes a connecting means for connecting the information terminal device to a wireless LAN, a determining means for determining whether the information terminal device is served as a host or a client of the wireless LAN, a setting means for requesting the host to transmit setting information necessary for executing the network setting to connect the information terminal device to the wireless LAN based on the fact that the information terminal device is determined as the client and executing the network setting by using the setting information transmitted from the host and a processing means for transmitting a requested setting information to the client based on the fact that the information terminal device is determined as the host and transmitting presentation data to the client in which the network setting was completed.~~

A system and method for automatically configuring network settings on a computer terminal via a network interface card so that the computer terminal can communicate on a local area network, without requiring users to manually input the network settings. A network interface card is inserted into a computer terminal device. The network interface card automatically determines whether the computer terminal should be configured as host server or a client based on whether another host server is detected on the network. Based on this determination, the network interface card communicates with the host server and receives network configuration information and automatically sets the network settings for the computer terminal. A further embodiment of the invention includes pre-loading a presentation data application program on the network interface card, such that each terminal in the network can display a received presentation or transmit a presentation to the other terminals.